

Los Angeles Conservation Corps



Brownfields Training Program





About the L.A. Conservation Corps

- ❑ Trains youth 3 to 23 to care for themselves, the community and the environment by participating in classroom and service activities.
- ❑ Established in 1986 by former U.S. Secretary of Commerce Mickey Kantor, and has developed into the largest nonprofit youth corps in the nation, employing thousands participants each year.
- ❑ LACC's mission: To serve and uplift the diverse communities of Los Angeles, conserve the natural and human environment by providing young people with an opportunity for:
 - ✓ Developing the education and work skills needed to advance their personal and career opportunities;
 - ✓ Creating stronger ties to their communities through community involvement and service;
 - ✓ Exploring avenues for personal growth and development in a respectful and nurturing environment and
 - ✓ Developing leadership skills to contribute to the advancement of all people.

About LACC's Brownfields Training

- Life Skills: Sexual Harassment, Conflict Resolution, Resume Writing, Interview Skills
- Environmental Certifications: Lead, Asbestos, HAZWOPER
- Other Industry related certifications: CPR/First-Aid, 10-Hr Cal-OSHA, Forklift
- Construction Technology: Pre-apprentice Construction Training by journey-level carpenter
- Job placement and tracking



About LACC's Partnerships

LACC works cooperatively with

- Center to Protect Workers' Rights
- EPA/City of Los Angeles Brownfields
- Local union and non-union employers
- Local One-Stops and WorkSource Centers
- Local community-based organizations
- Los Angeles Department of Corrections



LACC's Brownfields Advisory Board

- The Joint Apprenticeship Trust for Asbestos and Insulators Local 5
- L.A. County GAIN & GROW Programs
- City of Los Angeles Community Development Department
- City of Los Angeles Environmental Affairs Department
- Community Centers Inc.
- I.Q. Personnel
- Healthy Homes Collaborative
- Environmental Detectives



How Each Partner Benefits:

- Government departments want visibility and public support for their programs
- Non-government organizations want visibility and public and corporate support (resources)
- Companies want a return on investment and to be good corporate citizens





Evaluation of Partnerships

- Current and developing partnerships are monitored and discussed at advisory board meetings at the start
- Ongoing evaluations identify what elements contributed to the success or failure of the initiative
- Build on the strengths that these evaluations identify



LACC Brownfields and Environmental Detectives

About Environmental Detectives Inc.

- Minority Owned Consulting Firm
- Specialized consulting services in: Asbestos Survey and Inspection, Asbestos Design and Specifications, Abatement Observations and Air Monitoring, Lead Based Inspection and Abatement Monitoring, XFR Lead Based Paint Measurements, Mold and Bacteria Analysis, Underground Storage Tank, Air Quality Testing, Site Assessment And Remediation, Phase I, II, and III.



EDI's Commitment to LACC's Brownfields Training Program

- **Provide mentoring to current students and graduates of the LACC's Brownfields Training Program**
- **Assist graduates in finding low-cost trainings for further education in the environmental field**
- **Provide on-the-job training to graduates interested in pursuing careers in environmental consulting**
- **Provide job placement assistance and referrals to qualified graduates**
- **Evaluate screening and selection process and provide employer insight that allows training to remain effective**
- **Assist in trainings and provide workshops for students**

Results From Partnerships

- Increased employer pool year-round
- Request For Proposals (RFP) and Contracts contain language requesting for hire LACC's Brownfields graduates
- Union enrollment dues waived or reduced
- Employer monetary contributions (participant miscellaneous fees)
- LACC is the “go to” for environmental workers
- Part-time job placement and experience prior to graduation date



Thank you for your support!



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